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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)

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For: LASER DEVICE AND LENS)
POSITION ADJUSTMENT)
METHOD IN THE LASER)
DEVICE)

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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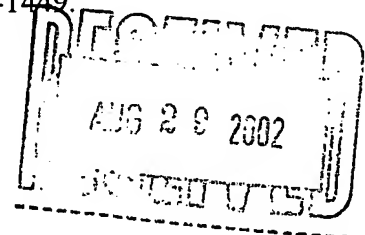
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

Japan 9-218368
Japan 8-112940

The foregoing documents were discussed in the specification and might be deemed pertinent for the reasons given there. In addition, English language abstracts of these two Japanese references are enclosed.

Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3).

The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialling the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.



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